IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

INVENTOR(S)

Copeland, et al.

TITLE

A MEDIUM COMPOSITION, METHOD AND

DEVICE FOR SELECTIVELY ENHANCING THE ISOLATION OF ANAEROBIC MICROORGANISMS

CONTAINED IN A MIXED SAMPLE WITH

FACULTATIVE MICROORGANISMS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The initial period for responding to the Office Action issued July 28, 2004 expired on October 28, 2004.

The requested extension and fee are as follows:

	LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY	AMOUNT
	FEE	FEE	ENCLOSED
One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120.00	\$60.00	
Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450.00	\$225.00	
Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1,020.00	\$510.00	1,020.00
Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1,590.00	\$795.00	
Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00	
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A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <u>06-0308</u>. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

Respectfully submitted,

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January 25, 2005

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify being	that this Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and accompanying document(s) are
	deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8, addressed to: MAIL STOP , Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.
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